

PORTSMOUTH LOCAL NEWS AND ADVERTISEMENTS

ITEMS GATHERED HERE AND THERE

Miscellaneous Happenings Condensed For Virginian-Pilot Readers.

MOVEMENTS OF PEOPLE

What is Going On in and Around Portsmouth and Suburban Communities Gathered, Hired and Told in Few Words—The Past, the Present and the Future Revealed, Related and Foreshadowed.

There was a large attendance at the South Street Baptist Church Sunday afternoon. There were only fourteen deaths in the city last month.

Portsmouth sent a large delegation to Washington Sunday to the Dewey celebration.

Mrs. Annie Simmons, of Nansemond county, is in the city on a visit.

The coal dealers did a good business yesterday. The coal spell helped them.

The frost yesterday morning killed the potato and tomato vines.

Sunday the roof of Mr. Armstrong's kitchen in Park View caught on fire.

It was put out without turning in any alarm.

In Justice Peed's Court yesterday six small colored boys were fined \$1 each for beating Bob Slater, about 12 years old, and also colored. Bob received a large amount of kicks and cuffs and some bruises that were painful.

The Norfolk County Road Board met at the court house yesterday and transacted routine business.

The Rev. J. T. Riddick, pastor of the Deep Creek Baptist Church, held a baptismal service Sunday on the creek bank. Two persons were immersed.

Mrs. Malory Moore, Mrs. M. E. Saunders and Mrs. H. W. Roble left yesterday for Alexandria, Va., to attend the W. C. T. U. Convention.

Judge Portlock adjourned the County Court yesterday for the term.

C. O. Davis, W. T. Conover, J. P. Coleman, J. D. Moore and George W. Jones as viewers to locate ferry landings for the Elizabeth River and Hampton Roads Ferry Company at West Norfolk and Pinner's Point.

It is said that Mr. G. Hutton has purchased the Bain station on Swimming Point for \$10,000, and that he will reside there. This of the Bain property will close up Bain & Bro.'s trust.

Mr. John A. Milligan, who has been in Charlottesville and the Mountains of Virginia since the first of July in search of health, returned home Sunday morning very much improved.

Mrs. J. J. Murray, of Prentiss Place, left the city Sunday morning for Washington, D. C., to witness the celebration there in honor of Dewey.

Mrs. Pauline Murray and daughters, of Prentiss Place, are in Washington visiting. They will be absent several weeks.

Mr. Emmott Deans is advertising legions and mits for little children. See his advertisement and you may learn of something to your interest.

Mr. Pluk C. Codd gives notice elsewhere that he has rented the stable on King street formerly kept by John Clover, and that he will keep on hand good teams for hire, and will also board horses by day, week or month. See advertisement.

The B. Y. P. U. of the South Street Baptist Church will re-convene to-night at 7 o'clock. The officers and members are urged to be present. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. Emily Moreland is very ill at her residence, No. 1306 Washington street.

An experienced grocery clerk can find employment by addressing "R." at this office. See advertisement.

The Board of Health held their regular weekly meeting last night and transacted the usual routine business.

Rear Admiral Albert S. Barker, U. S. N., recently promoted from Captain, was yesterday assigned to command the Navy Yard. He will assume his duties at once.

See advertisement of a committee badge list.

Saturday night some one entered the kitchen of Mr. Charles Tucker, No. 710 High street, and carried off all their Sunday dinner and what groceries they had.

Rear Admiral Albert S. Barker has been ordered to this yard to relieve Admiral Pauquhar.

Five painters can secure employment by applying at the marine barracks.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following deeds were admitted to record yesterday in the county clerk's office:

D. H. Farquharson to J. B. Ransome, lots 9, 10 and 11, on Rappahannock avenue, Lambert's Point; \$450.

T. H. Synon to Grace R. Barker, lot on Seaboard avenue, South Norfolk; \$125.

Barton Myers and others to Mary W. Face, lots 3 and 4 on east side of Avenue H, and lot 9 on north side of Thirtieth street, Lambert's Point; \$900.

J. M. Keeling, special commissioner, to W. T. Curdts, lots 10, 11 and 12 on south side of Goff street, near Huntersville; \$225.

The Real Estate Investment Company to William Boon, lot 9, at Lincoln Park; \$90.

W. T. Curdts and wife to Walter Fisher, lot 19 on west side of Chicazola street, near Huntersville; \$175.

DRIVER Codd WILL RESIGN.

He Will Give Up His Position as Driver of the Chambers Hose Cart.

Mr. P. C. Codd, the efficient driver of the hose cart of the Chambers Fire Company, will, as soon as the company can select a man to succeed him, resign. He has filled that responsible position for a period of twelve years, and a most capable member of the department has he proved to be.

Mr. Codd's practice as a veterinary surgeon demands his attention to such an extent that he thought it best for all parties interested that he confine himself to his practice and his veterinary business, which he has just embarked in, as can be seen by advertisement in another column.

We keep every shape of collars. Let us sell you your collars. Chas. R. Weston & Co.

REV. J. W. MITCHELL.

He Preached His Fifth Anniversary Sermon Sunday Night.

At the South Street Baptist Church Sunday night the Rev. J. W. Mitchell, the pastor, celebrated his fifth anniversary of his pastorate here by delivering a sermon appropriate to the occasion.

Mr. Mitchell is a gentleman who has put forth great efforts in the up-building of the Christian religion, and that the laborer is worthy of his hire is best attested by the result of the magnificent work he has performed.

Mr. Mitchell is a great favorite with the large congregation which usually worships in that pretty sacred edifice, and the announcement of this fifth anniversary was received with a spirit and determination to make it an event in the history of the church, which was done.

"He Thanked God and Took Courage" was the text selected by Mr. Mitchell, and those who had the good fortune to hear under the sound of his voice were charmed with his eloquence and excellent reasoning power exhibited. He brought clearly to the minds of his hearers the history of the church during the past five years, contrasting the great growth of the church, which had wrought on that corner in a masterly manner and with fine effect.

In speaking of the increase in the membership of the church, he said that during his pastorate as many as 175 persons had been received into the fellowship of the church—a number equal to one-half of the present membership of the church, and that during the last year the church had largely increased her contributions to missions and other benevolent enterprises.

At the close of the sermon the Lord's Supper was celebrated, after which the pastor invited the congregation and the members of the church to give him their hands in token of continued confidence and co-operation. The choir sang "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" and a large number came and grasped his hand, expressing themselves very feelingly toward their pastor.

Mr. Mitchell, besides doing his regular work as pastor of South Street Baptist Church, has given considerable time to outside evangelistic work, having preached seven out of the past nine weeks in the city and near by, and the part most pleasant to the reverend gentleman is the fact that he had the great pleasure of being instrumental in the great work of pointing souls to the Cross, and pressing faith in Christ during the week.

He is an energetic and devoted friend to the poor of the city and many households revere his name.

DR. FISHER'S DECISION.

He Will Stay With the Fourth Street Baptist Church, in This City.

Members of the Fourth Street Baptist Church are in a very peculiar frame of mind, the great reason for that being the final decision of the pastor, Rev. W. F. Fisher, to remain pastor of his present charge, therefore declining the offer of a call to a foreign mission station, which he received from the Baptist Church in Richmond, Va.

Dr. Fisher has not only pleased his church membership, but the public generally is highly gratified that this popular divine will remain here, where he has done so much good work in the Vineyard of the Lord. Under his ministrations the growth of the church has been steady and continuous, and the following is a brief synopsis of what he has accomplished since his pastorate here.

One hundred and eighty members have been added, lacking only of exactly doubling the membership, which is now 181. A majority of these were added by baptism. The Sunday school, when he came, had 125 scholars on the first Sunday; it is now the largest Baptist school in the city or suburbs.

The contributions to boards have gone from \$145, in 1896, to \$460, in 1898. The church gave this year to foreign missions alone more than it gave to all objects the year before Dr. Fisher came. His salary has been increased from \$900 to \$1,000. And the Franklin church offered to increase this latter amount if he would accept the call which he declined, and he acquainted his congregation Sunday night of his decision.

WANTS SPIRITUAL ADVICE.

Walter Cotton Says He Is Innocent And Asks for a Preacher.

Walter Cotton, the condemned murderer, yesterday sent two messages for his counsel, Mr. W. H. Parker, and said to him that he wanted to talk with him. The second time the summons was received it was answered, and on entering Cotton's cell Cotton said: "Mr. Parker, can you get me a new trial? If so, I can raise \$100 to pay you."

Mr. Parker replied: "No, I cannot. If I were to take your case to the Court of Appeals I do not think I could do you any good. I think your doom is sealed, and it is only a question of time with you now, and I think it would be well for you to prepare to meet your God, for your time is short, but I believe he will pardon you if you ask for forgiveness. But, Cotton, as your counsel, I have a right to know whether you are guilty or not. If guilty, tell me, and if not, say so, but be honest, as you will soon have to meet your God, and do not tell me an untruth."

Cotton, in a clear, firm voice, without a moment's hesitation, said: "I am innocent of the crime for which I have been convicted. But I would like to have a spiritual adviser." "Is there any special minister you would like to have?" No, send me any one you see fit." The question was again asked: "Cotton, are you guilty?" "No, sir, I am not," he made no explanation of his conduct and showed no disposition to talk about the matter further.

REV. R. PINLEY GAYLE.

The above named divine is a well-known and much beloved Portsmouth minister, and is at present the pastor of the Laurel Street Methodist Church in Richmond, and in speaking of his success the Richmond Leader has the following to say:

Rev. R. Pinley Gayle, the present pastor, is popular with the church. He has been pastor only two years and is held in high esteem by all. He is a forceful speaker and good preacher, and his sermons are listened to with the closest attention. The church is now in a good condition, and since his ministry began the church debt has been cancelled. A number of the first members are still living."

MONUMENTAL BANNER CLASS.

The classes in the Monumental M. E. Church, designed for the month of September are as follows:

Punctuality—Mrs. W. M. Bowden's class (boys), percentage, 85.

Attendance—Miss Fannie P. Cuthrell's class (boys), percentage, 100.

Contributions—Senior class: Mr. Geo. A. Scott's class, average per scholar, \$1.11.

Junior class—Mr. Robt. T. Cuthrell's class (girls), average per scholar, 33 cents.

A SUNDAY NIGHT MARRIAGE.

Owen's Memorial Packed to the Doors To Hear the Sermon and See the Marriage Ceremony Performed.

It is seldom that the church going people of Portsmouth have an opportunity of witnessing an event such as occurred at Owen's Memorial Church on Sunday night, and when such occasions occur, especially if it is widely known, the principals to it can be assured of a large attendance. For days, perhaps months, there has been a whispering among the lady members of Edgemoor Street Church that a marriage would shortly take place within that sanctuary.

The time appointed was Sunday night, October 1, at the conclusion of the evening service. The part of the program, however, was thought to be a secret known only to the contracting parties and the officiating clergyman, but in his they reckoned without their friends for the Virginian-Pilot published it Sunday morning, and the result was a packed house to witness the solemn compact. There were in all about seven hundred people present, who, for the greater part, were young people, and as a matter of course took a deal of interest in the service.

The pastor, Rev. R. T. Waterfield, who seemed at his best, preached a most excellent sermon, taking for his text the words found in the first chapter of St. John, 11:12-13 inclusive. At the conclusion of the sermon the doors of the church were thrown open for the reception of the members. At this juncture the Rev. James M. Norton and Miss Ella May Bryant presented themselves before the chancel, where they were met by the pastor, and after their reception into church membership, were joined in the holy bonds of wedlock. Immediately after the ceremony and while congratulations were being showered on the newly wedded couple, Lohegrin's march was artistically rendered by the organist, Mrs. H. M. Lucas.

It is a matter worthy of note that notwithstanding the very large attendance, there was perfect order throughout the entire service, which speaks well for the church officials, as well as the community.

STILL WON'T PAY.

Second Refusal to Approve Grimes' Claim.

Sunday's Richmond Dispatch says: Colonel Morton Marrye, Auditor of Public Accounts, yesterday refused for the second time to pay the claim of the Grimes' Battery, of Portsmouth, for services rendered in performing quarantine duty at Ocean View during the prevalence of yellow fever at Hampton last summer.

Colonel Marrye, acting under the advice of Attorney General Montague, refused to pay the claim out of the general fund when first presented several days ago. He held that as the battery had been ordered out by the Mayor of Portsmouth and made to do duty at Ocean View, nine miles from the jurisdiction of his office, the men were not entitled to any compensation.

Hon. R. Carter Scott and Colonel Dick Marshall, of Portsmouth, then made an effort to secure the payment of the claim out of the military fund. The effort was unsuccessful. Colonel Marrye refusing to approve the claim.

An effort will now be made to have the claim paid out of the Governor's civil contingent fund. Governor Tyler stated last night that he had not decided whether he would order the claim paid from this fund.

FIRE IN PARK VIEW.

Sunday at noon an alarm of fire was turned in from box 54, caused by the house of Mrs. Hayman, in Park View, being on fire. The department responded promptly and succeeded in subduing the flames before much damage was done, excepting to the roof, which was nearly all burned off. Mr. Hayman succeeded in saving all his furniture except a feather bed. It is said that Mrs. Hayman on Saturday asked her husband to have their furniture insured, as she had a presentiment that the house in which they lived, would catch on fire. He put her off with the promise to do so on Monday, and on Sunday the fire occurred. No one can tell how the fire originated, as it started in the center of the roof and there had been no fire in the house. The only conclusion arrived at is that a spark from the fire at West Norfolk might have landed on the roof and remained there for some time, and the wind fanned it into a flame.

POLICE COMMISSIONERS MEET.

The Board of Police Commissioners held their regular monthly meeting last night, and the following members present: Hon. J. T. Baird, president; Robert P. Taylor, W. A. Green and Dr. L. A. Bilsely.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The first of J. T. Owens' residence, corner of Court and Glasgow streets, on the night of September 24, was investigated and the board rendered a verdict that it was from causes unknown.

The board directed the Chief to send a petition to the Council requesting them to furnish the police with new pistols. The ones that they now have are old and worn, and have been in use for some time.

A request from the police asking to be allowed to wear a blue storm overcoat at night was granted.

There being no other business, the board adjourned.

INSPECTION LAST NIGHT.

The Chambers Steam Fire Engine Company No. 2, Captain Marshall commanding, and the Portsmouth Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, Captain Emmott Deans, were inspected last night at their respective engine houses by Chief Engineer Fred Weisford and Assistant Chiefs Herbert and Bell. The department is inspected semi-annually, and the inspection of the two companies inspected last night was an excellent showing, proving conclusively that Portsmouth firemen take a deep pride in their companies and keep in the best possible condition.

The Independent Steam Fire Engine Company No. 1, Captain J. F. Pace, was inspected at their engine house at 8 o'clock next Monday night, the trip the company took to Roanoke interfering somewhat with the assembling of the company last night, and the company not being had by the members of the company. They arrived home from Roanoke last Saturday morning.

WENT TO NEWPORT NEWS.

The degree of team of Ocean Council, Royal Arcanum, composed of S. C. Brown, F. T. Briggs, W. E. Virensen, W. H. Ewald, E. W. Dashiell and C. M. Meglin, left last night on the tug Kaleb for Newport News to confer some new work on some members of the order. They were accompanied by a number of members of the order.

TO CLOSE OUT AT THE BRANDT CO., 213 AND 215 HIGH ST., PORTSMOUTH.

ENTIRE STOCK OF UP-TO-DATE MERCHANT TAILORING OF THE FIRM OF BRANDT & WISE, OF RICHMOND, VA.

We will offer this well selected Stock of Novelties in Woolens, made up to date, at a great sacrifice. MONDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 25th, at 9 a. m. sharp.

DISSOLUTION.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 1st, 1899. DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.—The partnership heretofore existing between Brandt and Wise, doing business as merchants and tailors under the firm name and style of Brandt & Wise, at No. 61 East Broad street in the city of Richmond, Va., is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The Brandt Company assumes all liabilities of the late concern, and all parties who are indebted to the late firm are notified to pay the same to Messrs. William and Hiram F. Brandt, attorneys at law, No. 8 North Tenth street, Richmond, Va.

BRANDT & WISE

AN IMPORTANT ARREST.

Yesterday morning about 6 o'clock Officer Jesse Hootnagle made an arrest which may possibly furnish a clue to some of the mysterious robberies going on in the city for some time.

The officer had reason to watch a particular locality for a certain individual, and while on that errand he observed Frank Hight, a colored man, enter T. L. Cleaton, coming out of a lane which opens on King street and directly in the rear of Mr. Cleaton's store, with a large basket on his arm. The officer suspected that something was wrong, so he took the man to the station-house, and he failing to give a good account of the possession of two boxes of chewing tobacco, a box of cigars and a lot of snuff, he was locked up to await examination on the charge of robbery.

THE POLICE COURT.

There was a small docket in the Police Court yesterday morning, there being only two drunks, one white and one colored—who were fined \$1 each.

One of the drunks carried a gun and it was found on him when searched, hence he had to pay \$20 extra.

A colored woman, Kate Parker, was brought in and tried for petit larceny, she being accused of stealing \$5 from David Hawkins, colored. She was found guilty and sentenced to six months in jail.

LOST—YESTERDAY A STATE FAIR Committee badge between the post-office and ferry. Please leave at this office.

WANTED—A N EXPERIENCED pay good wages, but he must be quick and active. Address R., this office.

WANTED—FIVE GOOD PAINTERS. Apply MARINE BARRACKS, Navy yard.

TEN YOUNG MEN, WHO WISH TO prepare for any examination, will be received in a class to be organized October 10. For further information address A., this office.

FOR SALE—AN UPRIGHT PIANO cheap by party who desires to leave the city. Call at 311 Fayette street.

FOR RENT—FIVE ROOM HOUSE No. 561 North street, corner of Dinwiddie; all modern conveniences; furnished or unfurnished. J. D. MEYER, room 203 Rosenbaum Building.

WANTED—AN ENGINEER, APPLY TO ROBERTSON & CO., Portsmouth, Va.

SMOKE SNOB PLAKE OR 100 NIX our Ice Creams, name is worth. Sold everywhere. Call for them. Made by Union Labor. W. T. BACKUS, Jr., Rich. D. Guy.

FOR RE-LECTION HOUSE OF DELEGATES—CHAS. T. BLAND—Subject to Democratic Primary, WEDNESDAY, October 11th.

FOR HOUSE OF DELEGATES—ROBERT C. IRVIN—Subject to Democratic Primary, October 11th.

MR. P. C. Codd has taken charge of the Livery Stable on King street ("Clover's old stand"). He will remove and put the place in good condition for boarding and transient trade, and will keep nice driving horses to hire. He asks the patronage of the public and guarantees satisfaction. Old Phone 222.

Fall Stock Complete—AT W. C. NASH'S, 229 High St.

NEW DRESS GOODS OF ALL KINDS. Plaids, Crepons in black and colors. Venetian Cloth in all colors, 50c. Some of the best and latest styles. Grey Homespun, 22 inches wide, 35c. Prettiest line of Dress Flannels, all colors, 25c.

New line of Blankets, Comforts and White Spreads. Come and see our new Fall Jackets and known.

We have the best and largest assortment of Gents', Ladies' and Children's Underwear, and it is all complete, all sizes and prices.

A few Fur, such as Minks, \$2.25 to \$5.00. Don't forget to see that Nobby Jacket at \$4.98.

W. C. NASH.

CORN SPOTS. New arrival of CORNED SPOTS. FRESH MEATS in abundance. Don't worry over your bad bread any longer. Try our Queen Brand Flour will convince you of its superior quality. Ask your neighbor about it.

R. E. KING, 229 Court street.

NOTICE. Seaboard and Roanoke R. R. Co. in May and October, 1899.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this company will be held at the office of the company, in Portsmouth, on WEDNESDAY, October 11, 1899, at 11 o'clock a. m.

JNO. H. SHARP, Treasurer.

Investors Read This!

FOR SALE. New double house, Green street; large house and vacant lot, Crawford street; valuable what property on Water street; nice house on Dinwiddie street; vacant lot on Dinwiddie street, valuable store on High street and lots of other property.

View, Prentiss Place and Egleston. Some nice houses in Cottage Place and the city for rent.

R. S. BROOKS.

Real Estate, Rents and Insurance.

REMEMBER.

These patterns are exclusive. Every garment bears our guarantee. Fixtures for sale, consisting of large Mirror, Desk and two Oak Tables. Strict orders to sell out this entire stock of values without reserve. Our reputation for workmanship, style and fit is firmly established. Mail orders will not be attended to positively. This firm has been in business less than one year, so the stock is entirely new—much of it has been lately received.



It's Interesting

You'll find our advertisements full of interest—Not a day goes by but what we have something of especial interest to everyone—Today it's about Suits—Men's and Boys'—Look 'em over.

MEN'S SUITS.

In this line we offer you a splendid assortment of styles and patterns to select from—they're cut in the newest styles and made as well as most suits at twice the price—you would be very willing to pay \$10 for such a suit, but we only ask \$7.50.

Our \$10 line can't be beat—the very handsomest Cheviots, Cassimeres and Worsteds—in the season's most fashionable effects—double and single-breasted Coats and some of 'em have double-breasted vests—you'll hardly believe they can be sold for less than \$15, yet we offer them \$10.00.

BOYS' SUITS.

Boys' splendidly made All-wool Double-breasted Suits—in nobby Cheviot effects—all sizes from 3 to 16 years—also a number of House and Vestee styles, handsomely trimmed with silk braid—in sizes from 3 to 5 years—worth \$2.00—will be offered \$1.98.

A fine assortment of Boys' Vestee and Double-breasted Suits, in a score of good-looking patterns—made with double coats and knives, elastic waist bands, etc.—sizes from 3 to 16 years—such Suits are well worth \$3.50—our price \$2.48.

NEW YORK CLOTHING CO.

214 High St., Portsmouth, Va.

AT A SACRIFICE!

TWO IMPROVED HOUSES AND LOTS, with barns, drive well, lawn and flower beds, on old Deep Creek Shell road, twelve feet higher than city, must sell, first called, first served. Enquire at Noah's Ark.

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All parties interested in the Drug Business can obtain a FINE STOCK OF GOODS AND AN EXCELLENT STAND.

prominently and centrally located. Stock must be sold before Christmas. Those looking for bargains call on or address

G. A. KREIGER, 301 High St., Portsmouth.

FOR RENT.

Desirable Brick Dwelling No. 401 Dinwiddie street 8 rooms; gas, bath, range, sewerage and other conveniences. Rent \$25 per month.

JNO. L. WATSON, Portsmouth, Va.

CRANBERRIES.

New Evaporated Apricots and Nectarines, Cleaned Currants, Prunes and Blackberries just received. An extra fine French Peas at 10 cents per can—very low. New Tomatoes in cans.

E. R. BARKSDALE, BOTH PHONES, 129 COURT ST.